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FROM MADRAS JAN 19TH RPTD TO YOU:

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1. YOUTH CONGRESS LEADER SANJAY GANDHI, ADDRESSING  
A BIG RALLY HELD IN BANGALORE JANUARY 18 IN CONNECTION  
WITH NATIONAL INTERGRATION DAY STATED : "THE WESTERN  
COUNTRIES, WHICH BEMOANED THAT DEMOCRACY HAD DIED  
IN INDIA WHEN EMERGENCY WAS PROCLAIMED, DID NOT STAND  
BY US WHEN PAKISTAN INVADED INDIA AND SLAUGHTERED MILLIONS  
OF PEOPLE IN BANGLA DESH. WE HAVE PLENTY OF EVIDENCE OF  
FOREIGN INTERFERENCE IN THE COUNTRY (INDIA). THOSE COUNTRIES  
HAVE THEMSELVES ADMITTED THEIR INTERFERENCE IN FOREIGN  
COUNTRIES." WARNING OF FORCES "WHICH UNDER THE GUISE OF  
POLITICAL PARTIES AND SECTS ARE SPREADING HATRED AND  
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TRYING TO BISECT THE COUNTRY," GANDHI SAID, "IF THE COUNTRY

IS UNITED NO POWER ON EARTH CAN WEAKEN US." DEFENDING PRO-CLAMATION OF EMERGENCY, HE STATED: " EMERGENCY CAME JUST WHEN THE MOVEMENT INCITING THE ARMY AND THE POLICE TO REVOLT AND WORKERS NOT TO WORK WAS AT ITS PEAK." HE ALSO CALLED FOR RELIGIOUS TOLERANCE AMONG THE PEOPLE.

2. ADDRESSING A STATE-LEVEL YOUTH CONGRESS CONVENTION IN BANGALORE THE SAME DAY, GANDHI DEPLORED THE COUNTRORSY OVER LEFT SM AND RIGHTISM AND ASKED THE YOUTH TO FOLLOW "THE GOLDEN MIDDLE PATH" LAID DOWN BY MAHATMA GNAHDI. HE FORCAST YOUTH POWER SWEEPING THE COUNTRY AND CITED THE CHOICE OF NARAIN DUTT TIWARI AS THE CHIEF MINISTER OF UTTAR PRADESH.

THIS IS THE FIRST VISIT OF GANDHI TO KARNATAKA SINCE HE BECAME OF MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF YOUTH CONGRESS. CHIEF MINISTER URS DESCRIBED THE VISIT AS "A UNIQUE EVENT," AND A BIG AND COLORFUL WELCOME WITH BANNERS LIKE"WELCOME TO SANJAY GANDHI, FUTURE PRIME MINISTER OF INDIA; GREETED HIM. EAVES

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